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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6640 NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 22, 2005

BILL NUMBER: HB 1083 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Coroner's Determination of Time of Death.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Kersey BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

**X** DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill requires a coroner to file a supplemental report concerning a person's time of death if at any time after the coroner has determined the time of death evidence becomes available that establishes a more precise time of death. The bill provides that a person's body and the scene of the person's death may not be disturbed until the coroner has investigated them in a manner that most fully discloses the person's time of death.

Effective Date: July 1, 2006.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill specifies another circumstance that would require a coroner to file a supplemental report with the local health officer. This action would lead to a revision in the records kept by the State Registrar. Supplemental reports regarding vital records are routinely filed with the State Department of Health. Any increases in the number of supplemental reports that may be filed as a result of this bill should be expected to be processed within the existing level of resources available to the Department.

## **Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Supplemental reports for vital records are routinely processed by the local health officers. Any increases in the number of supplemental reports that may be filed by the local health officers as a result of the provisions of this bill should be processed within the available resources of local registrars.

## **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** State Department of Health.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local health officers and county coroners.

**Information Sources:** 

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